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1. The troops stationed in Prenzlau began to move to their summer camp on 24 and 25 April. Troop trains 85874 and 85875 were dispatched from Oranienburg to Zehdenick on 25 April.
2. On 27 April, 33 troop cars, 44 boxcars and about 200 flatcars arrived in Rathenow. The loaded cars were then dispatched to Altengrabow.
3. Two troop trains were being loaded at the Magdeburg-Brueckfeld railroad station on 21 April. The equipment being loaded, including 45 pontoons and two motor boats, had come from the Seeckt Kaserne. The Seeckt Kaserne was still occupied almost to capacity on 22 April.
4. Armored personnel carriers, trucks and 24 T-34 tanks were entrained at the Wittenberg railroad station on the morning of 27 April. Several troop trains were unloaded at the Jueterbog railroad station on 28 April. The unloading of seven field howitzers and of more than 40 T-34 tanks, which left later toward the Werder-Markendorf training area, was observed.
5. One troop train was being loaded at Naumburg on 21 and 26 April each.

25X1A [REDACTED] Comment: The information indicates that Soviet army units began to move to the training fields on about 25 April. The movements reported above indicate that the following units were involved:


- a. Paragraph 1: Troops of the 25th Tank Division from Prenzlau and Oranienburg.
- b. Paragraph 2: Elements of the 6th Artillery Division.

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- c. Paragraph 3: The trains carried the equipment of the 36th Pontoon Bridge Regiment to the engineer training site on the Elbe, southeast of Rossau.
- d. Paragraph 4: Component units of the 6th Guards Tank Division.
- e. Paragraph 5: Component units of the 57th Guards Rifle Division probably moving to the Kindel training area.

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